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Also enclosed is a copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report on Patentability dated August 28, 2007 from the corresponding PCT/JP2006/302518 and an English-language translation thereof. The cited references are not enclosed as they have already been cited to the United States Patent and Trademark Office in the current application.

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Early and favorable consideration is respectfully solicited.

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